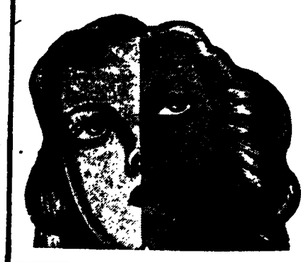

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Brenden Bracken's Apologia In Commons

WESTMINSTER, Dec. 2.

The British Minister of Information Mr. Brenden Bracken, replying to a question in the Commons today about "leakage" of news of the Conference between President Roosevelt, Mr. Churchill and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek said: "I think it very unfortunate that all these leakages occurred. I have seen four or five of these conferences, and I am absolutely certain that the publicity arrangements will always break down, because they depend on three or four nations, and all sorts of people do their best to preserve secrets, but they leak out. I think the best thing is to have no publicity at all or full publicity."

Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Chairman of the Labour Party asked: "In view of the fact that the imminence of the conference that has taken place leaked out from Washington about ten days ago, is it not important that statements of the results of highly important conferences should be made contemporaneously by agreement and ought not the British Government to make representations to the United States to get a common practice in this?"

Mr. Bracken replied: "The press has been placed in a very difficult position by the fact that this was broadcast yesterday, but we gave the undertaking that we would follow a certain publicity programme, and I decided we must fulfil this undertaking whatever happened. About this leakage from Washington, of course, there has been a good deal of speculation in the United States. I am quite certain that there was no bad faith in this matter, but so many people are in the secret and somebody falls down. And you must not blame the American authorities. It is sometimes complained that the British press scoop the American press. You get sixty or seventy of the best journalists in the world, at any rate the most enterprising and you park them in Quebec or Cairo.

They are not given news, and they send whizzing messages to their papers at home and always end up by blaming the Ministry of Information."

Mr. Oliver Simmonds (Conservative) said: "In view of the secrecy which the British Government desired to surround the conference, how did it happen that the original factual report of Reuter's correspondent in Lisbon was allowed to pass through Britain to Washington through channels under the control of the Government?

Mr Bracken replied: "We have a rule that anything published in a foreign capital, we shall not censor while it is passing through London. That is a censorship rule. Whether it is a wise rule, I do not know".

British Press Protest

Comments on censorship treatment of the news of the Three-Power talks are made in several British newspapers to-day. The "Daily Mail" writes: "Alone of all people of the world, the British public on Tuesday were not trusted with the news that British and American leaders had met the Chinese Generalissimo in the Middle East. The first definite news of the meeting was given to the rest of the world by the United Nations Radio Station at Algiers, the Germans passed it on to their own people through their own propaganda agency. Every Radio station in the world friendly, enemy and neutral with the sole exception of the B.B.C. told the story. Every newspaper in the world, enemy, neutral and Allied carried great headlines across their front pages with the exception of British newspapers. Why? Because the British Press and Radio were forbidden by the British Ministry of Information to so much as hint at what the whole world knew.

In spite of these astonishing facts, official complaints have been made in America that in this matter the British were favoured. The curious ground for this complaint was that Reuter's News Agency, acting correctly and with the enterprise to be expected of a great news organisation, had obtained news in neutral Lisbon and cabled it to America. Reuters were forbidden to distribute the news to this country and they respected that ban. Yesterday the American Office of War Information under the direction of Mr. Elmer Davis appeared to be attempting to shift the responsibility for the joint Anglo-American official muddle on to Reuter's News Agency. Mr. Davis alleged that the Reuter story was picked up by the Germans and gave them a twenty-four hours' propaganda start on the Allied announcement. As all facts including the 'communique' were in the possession of both British and American Ministers, why did they not release them at once and undo the supposed damage? It is significant that a large section of the American press last night were supporting Reuter on this issue."—Reuter.

U. S. Carrier Torpedoed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.

The Navy Department to-day (Thursday) announced that the United States escort carrier Liscombe Bay was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine on November 24 in the Gilbert Island area. This is the only ship lost in the Gilbert Islands operations.

RELEASES FROM NASIK AND HINDALGI JAILS

HUBLI, Dec 2.

The President of the Local Board Bassappa Argavi, Gurnath Jere, Doctor Kadaljekar and Dattopant Gokhale of Chokodi were released from the Hindalgi prison yesterday. It is also understood that orders have been given for the release of M. P. Patil ex-parliamentary secretary, K. S. Patil, Madhu Rao Joshi and Dattopant Adhyapak who are detained at the Nasik jail.—A. P.

CHUNGKING, Dec. 2: It is officially announced in Chungking that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and Madame Chiang returned here from the North African Conference.—Reuter.

PACIFIC FLEET READY TO "GO TO IT"?

CAIRO FORGES PLANS FOR INTEGRATED OFFENSIVE AGAINST JAPAN

NEW YORK, December 2.

The greatest naval concentration in history is gathered in the Pacific, states the "Associated Press" correspondent at the Pacific Fleet Headquarters. Hundreds of thousands of Allied troops are awaiting orders to attack, which may come at any moment, he adds. All indications point to the beginning of perhaps the bloodiest campaign in the Pacific war on the longest war fronts, he says.—Reuter.

BRITISH PRESS ON CAIRO LEAD

LONDON, Dec. 2.

"Nemesis of Japan", "Deathknell of Japan", "Judgment on Japan", "The Setting Sun." These are the headings to editorial articles in to-day's newspapers on Allied leaders' conference.

What all this means to Japan is put by the "London Times" in sixteen words 'The dam is full; the order has gone out to open the floodgates of attack."

Referring to the Japanese Mandated Marshall, Caroline, Pelew and Marianne Islands some of which are now air and naval bases, the paper says, "The statement contains no indication of the future destiny of these islets. But it is clear that the question, which particularly interests Australia and New Zealand, will have to be studied carefully in the light of the general requirements of Pacific security. An intimation to that effect might have been timely, though it is known that British Dominions were consulted before the Conference. Equally, though it is not to be supposed that the Dutch Government were not consulted, it would have been well to include some specific acknowledgment of the interest which they share with greater powers in the complete defeat of Japan."

The "Daily Herald" says: "The plans now laid are for a real assault. For that, close and accurate co-ordination of strategy is essential, since the Allies faced Japan in four distinct areas of combat. There are sea and air forces of the United States under Admiral Nimitz among the Pacific Islands. There are General MacArthur's men in New Guinea and Solomons. There are forces gathering in India under Admiral Mountbatten. And lastly, there are Chinese armies under the Supreme Command of President Chiang Kai-shek himself." The "Herald" urges that it is now time that the United Nations—not simply Britain, the United States and China—should consider the future of China, Burma, Malaya, the Philippines, the Dutch Indies and French Indo-China.

EAST INDIES FOR DUTCH ?

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.

Commenting on the Three-Power meeting, Congressmen interpreted the agreement as guaranteeing an integrated offensive that will crush Japan, strip her of her conquests and relegate her to a minor role.

Chairman Reynolds of the Senate Military Affairs Committee said, he interpreted the Tripartite statement as meaning that the British had agreed that Hong Kong would be returned to China. That the Allies were renouncing claims to extra-territorial rights in China and that the East Indies would be freed to the Dutch Administration.—Reuter.

Chiangs Visit Pyramids

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent)

CAIRO, Dec. 2.

The Chiangs visited the Pyramids and the Sphinx. They walked hand in hand round the monuments and the neighbouring temples. Madame Chiang was wearing a long black Chinese dress slit at the sides, with purple flowers, white shoes, a plain black high-necked Madarin coat, grey jade ear-rings and a floppy brimmed straw hat with green ribbon under her chin. The General had grey trousers under his long black robe and wore a sun helmet.

The Chinese Leader and his wife went sight-seeing in Cairo and Madame Chiang made a secret dash into the city to have her hair done before an important social function. They took small part in the social life of the huge conference, but they gave a tea party at which Chinese tea, noodles, dumplings and shrimps were served.

How Churchill Left

LONDON, Dec. 2.

Mr. Churchill left Britain for the conference by special train from London terminus accompanied by a large staff. Two nights before he left, the Prime Minister was one of the guests at a dinner party given by the King at Buckingham Palace in honour of the Regent of Iraq. Only a handful of those at the dinner who said good night to Mr. Churchill when he left, knew he was going off on another historic mission. Earlier that day, Mr. Churchill had been received in audience by the King and had lunch with His Majesty. On his 69th birthday, the Prime Minister received a personal message of congratulations and good wishes from the King.—Reuter.

Principle Of Legitimacy?

Comment on the Conference by Dr. Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador in London, was "The meeting of the leaders of Great Britain, the United States of America and China was an epoch making event. It is bound to have far reaching effects in Asia as well as in Europe."

The following comment was made by the Dutch Government in London to-day: "We are in full agreement with the aims expressed in the Cairo 'communique.' Japan has misused the islands in the Pacific she has laid hands on between the outbreak of the two world wars for purposes of usurpation and aggression, and it is obviously legitimate that they should be taken back from her. The same principle of legitimacy dictates the return to China of territories Japan has taken away from that country and Japan's expulsion from territories more recently occupied by her, such as the Netherlands Indies".

According to Reuter's correspondent, the political programme announced in the Cairo 'communique' promises, retribution and punishment. Japan is denounced as a brutal and greedy despoiler, and she is to pay the penalty. She is to be expelled not only from the territories she has occupied during the present war, but from Formosa and Pescadores which she had held since 1895, from Manchuria, which she occupied in 1931, and from the Pacific Islands, for which she received a mandate at the Peace Conference in 1919.

France has also a great stake in the issue. Japan, with Vichy connivance, has stolen Indo-China.

Mr. Churchill, President Roosevelt and General Chiang Kai-shek conferred in great secrecy, and never attended the daily conference of their staffs.

The Chinese came to the Conference with a batch of urgent problems including these four main points: (1) Combined strategy for Pacific South-east Asia and China for quick defeat of Japan by an all-out offensive;

(2) Reopening of Burma Road by assault from India;

(3) Supplies for the Chinese armies and peoples;

(4) Post-war reconstruction of China and help from British and American Governments.—Reuter.

G-Men On Guard

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent)

CAIRO, Dec. 2.

Sentries were posted every two miles, and all persons were challenged at least twice before they reached the guards outside the premises where Mr. Churchill, President Roosevelt and Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and their advisers lived during the important talks in North Africa. Elaborate precautions were taken for the safety of the chiefs of State and distinguished officers and politicians with them.

The premises which had been taken over for the Conference were ringed off in a barbed wire screen as a general defence area. The whole zone covering a number of square miles, bristled with anti-aircraft guns, searchlights, sentry posts and armed military and civilian guards of all descriptions. G-Men were among the security experts speaking, a dozen different tongues who were active in the city and the approaches on the road to the meeting place. The team of the defence personnel worked for days and nights preparing a formidable screen of anti-aircraft gun batteries and searchlight posts guarding the Conference perimeter. No chances were taken, and an ample shelter space was provided for all the personnel in the event of air raids. Particular care was taken of "the big three" who had armed escorts in jeeps and on motor cycles wherever they went. Specially selected personnel formed the bodyguard of the three statesmen, and they were equipped with the latest type of Tommy-guns.

How Reporters Covered It

Allied security officers had their biggest headache during the three power talks. G Men and experts of Chinese, British and American Security Departments toured social centres, hotels and bars watching for any attempt to get out information. It was impossible for civilians or unauthorised military personnel to approach the conference zone. None of some seventy newspapermen who went to North Africa for the talks saw the principals. All information about the conference was conveyed to them by four official Observers.

Throughout the conference the "Big Three" were heavily guarded by G-Men and Guards of all types, armed out-riders, and jeep-loads of tommy-gunners escorted them when they went out. The British delegates numbered more than two hundred—from the United Kingdom and overseas.

POLITICAL PROBLEMS

Though this new conference was dominated by the present and future picture of the Japanese war, it is believed that much time was also devoted to far-reaching considerations of economic and political problems.

The Lebanon incident with its problem of relations with the French Committee of Liberation flashed in on the conference. Mr. Harold MacMillan, the British Minister in North Africa, arrived from Algiers to enter immediately into conference with Mr. Churchill.

The Allied leaders left for their new mystery destinations at the week-end.

Mr. Churchill's visit to North Africa and his departure at the end of the talks for an unnamed destination has strengthened the belief here that Field Marshal Smuts has been left in charge of Imperial strategy, while Mr. Churchill works out the future course and plan of military operations on a world-wide scale.

When photographs were taken of the Chiefs of State and their military and political advisers, President Roosevelt offered General Chiang Kai-shek the central seat, saying "Come and have a seat of honour. This is your first conference." The Generalissimo declined with a smile and sat on one side of the President with Mr. Churchill at the other end.

Meeting Of "Big Three"?

CHURCHILL-STALIN-ROOSEVELT TALKS AT TABRIZ

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 2.

According to an Ankara message to "Allehanda", a meeting between Mr. Churchill, Marshal Stalin and President Roosevelt has already commenced at Tabriz, in North-West Iran.—Reuter.

No Release Of Politicals Says Amery

WESTMINSTER, Dec. 2.—Mr. Sorensen (Labour) asked Mr. Amery in the Commons to-day whether political matters in conjunction with the food shortage were considered at the Governors' Conference and whether the release of political detenus is being considered.

Mr. Amery replied: "The Conference was held for the purpose of exchange of views and to take executive decisions. The answer to the last part of the question is in the negative."

Mr. Sorensen: "Would it not be advisable to release political prisoners in India seeing that an excellent example has been set?"

Mr. Amery: "I see no connection between the two matters."—Reuter.

SOVIET ADVANCE IN WHITE RUSSIA

LONDON, Dec. 2.

Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow cables:—General Kluge's troops defending the eastern approaches to the White Russian bases of Zhlobin and Rogochev are to-day making their last stand on a relatively small Dnieper east bank bridgehead. Further north, the German Proyna river defence line has been shaken by Red Army advances in Propoisk sector. Difficult weather is now, however, hindering operations in White Russia.

So far German panzer concentrations, although exceedingly strong, have failed and the Red Army has regained its firm grip over the development of the battle. In a drive on Zhlobin, General Rokossovsky's troops are operating in three main directions:

The correspondent adds, "the Red Army are to-day beating down desperate German resistance in bitter battles now ranging in close approaches to Znamenka, an important rail knot in the Dnieper bend. Znamenka is less than 25 miles east of Krivoi Rog, the advanced German base which for many weeks has withstood the Red Army offensive. On the other flank, of the new forty-eight hour-old Soviet push southwest of Kremenchug, other Russian forces driving from the east are eating up the last ten miles separating them from the stubborn German Dnieper bastion of Cherkassy.—Reuter.

EGYPTIAN MISSION FOR BEIRUT

CAIRO, Dec. 2.

The Egyptian Mission which was scheduled to visit the Lebanese president last month will leave shortly for Beirut.

It will be headed by Omar Fathi Pasha, King Farouk's principal 'aide-de-camp' who has previously visited Syria on a similar mission. He will carry a message to the Lebanese President from King Farouk and an invitation for a Lebanese delegation to visit Egypt to discuss the Arab Union plan.—Reuter.

Interned Muslim Delegates Released

LONDON, Dec. 2.

The Algiers Radio France says, General Catroux has released two Moslem delegates to Economic Council of Algiers who had been interned. The decision was taken as the result of "declarations of fidelity unanimously voted by the entire body of Moslem Financial Delegates".—Reuter.

Nazi Raiders Over London Area

LONDON, Dec. 2.

It is officially announced that there was a little German activity over East Anglia and South-East England, including the London area early Wednesday night. Bombs were dropped at scattered points. Little damage and a small number of casualties have been reported.—Reuter.

Huq's Condition Unchanged

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2.

Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, ex-Premier, who has been lying ill for some time passed a restless night yesterday, with high temperature. His condition remains unchanged to-day.—A. P.

A. I. C. C. MEMBER RELEASED

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2.—Mr Abdus Sattar, member of the A. I. C. C. and of the Burdwan District Board, was released yesterday from detention under the D. I. R. Mr. Sattar was made a security prisoner on November 27, 1942. —A. P.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2.

The annual general meeting of the Associated Chambers of Commerce will be held on December 20. The Viceroy is expected to address the meeting.—United Press.

Eighth Army Pierces Adriatic Front

Retreating Germans Rush Up Reinforcements From N. Italy

ALLIED H. Q. IN N. AFRICA, December 2.

The Eighth Army have broken through on the Adriatic front.

The Germans are retreating, but are bringing up heavy reinforcements from Northern Italy.

OVER 1,000 PRISONERS TAKEN

It is officially announced on the Eighth Army front the entire Fossacesia Romagnoli ridge has been taken. Over one thousand prisoners have been taken.

HAND TO HAND FIGHTING

ALGIERS, Dec. 2.—The Algiers Radio (Radio France) states that a special 'communique' reads: "The 8th Army have pierced the German defence lines. The enemy is in full retreat and is rushing up reinforcements from northern Italy."

After reading the 'communique', the announcer added, "In fierce hand-to-hand fighting, the 8th Army is dislodging the enemy on a 25-mile front and pressing him back towards Pescara. They are mopping up enemy resistance centres. The 5th Army has consolidated its positions east of the Rome Road."

ON ROAD TO PESCARA

The 8th Army after cracking the German Sangro line wide open is to-day driving down the northern slopes of the Santa Anita ridge—the first stage on the road to Pescara. Less than 16 miles ahead of the British spearhead—over mountainous river-scared country—is this town and the start of the great Rome motorway. But the Germans are still fighting grimly. A wedge which pierced the German lines was driven in between the villages of Mozzagrogna and Santa Maria in the centre of the ridge. The 8th Army men who fought their way into Mozzagrogna were isolated for a time by fierce counter-attack. But they held firm.

The 8th Army have occupied Rocca San Giovanni two miles inland and four miles north of the Sangro. Eight miles inland and the same distance north of the river, they are on the outskirts of Castel Frentano which is still occupied by bitterly resisting Germans. A break-through to these towns represents an advance of three miles. The 8th Army are now in the outskirts of Casoli on the road from the coast to the Pescara-Rome highway. Casoli lies 14 miles inland and is one of the most important towns in this area.

The Germans have lost heavily in killed and more than 1,000 prisoners have been taken. Many Germans wounded are lying in Allied hospitals, and huge stores, gun and equipment have been captured.

INDIAN SAPPERS & MINERS' FEAT

Behind the dramatic announcement of the Eighth Army's storming of the Sangro River—Montgomery's colossal crack which launched the new push towards Rome—is the story of the feat of Indian Sappers and Miners.

You can call the Indian attack across the Sangro the battle of the bridges, cables an Indian Army observer. Its heroes are three companies of a famous Indian Sapper and Miner unit. They clung determinedly to their job in the face of ferocious German opposition. Shells, mortar fire and bombs fell around them for six days and nights without rest.—Reuter.

PRESS DEPOSIT ORDER STAYED

PESHAWAR, Dec. 2.—The Chief Court of the Frontier Province has accepted the stay application filed by the publisher of the "Al-Jamlet" against the orders of the Provincial Government to deposit a security of Rs. 1,000.—United Press.

Anti-Hoarding Drive In Surat

SURAT, Dec. 2.

About 75 places, including godowns, private residences and shops in different localities of the city were raided by the rationing police in the past three weeks. About 500 maunds of hoarded stocks have been seized. Action is being taken against persons who have stocked over the stipulated quantity of sixteen maunds of grains without permit from the District Magistrate.

Further searches are being carried out.—A. P.

Dacoity In Ahmedabad

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 2.

One person was killed and two others were injured to-day, when an armed dacoity was committed in a rich man's house near Maninagar, a suburbs of Ahmedabad. It is stated that the dacoits who were armed with revolvers fired shots when resistance was offered by the inmates of the house and neighbours. The police who soon arrived arrested four alleged dacoits.—A. P.

The Pentangular

HINDUS AND REST MEET IN FINAL TO-DAY

(BY OUR CRICKET CRITIC)

The final match in the Bombay Pentangular Cricket Tournament will commence at the Brabourne Stadium to-day, the contestants being the Hindus and the Rest. I understand the Hindus are going to field the same side which brought them victory against the Europeans. The Rest are not likely to make any sensational changes in their combination. From the performances of each team—individually and collectively—in their previous engagements this season, the Hindus have an excellent chance of winning the contest and retaining the Championship. Unless the Rest improve their fielding considerably, the Hindu batsmen are sure to give a very rough time of it. And the latter's score will then rise to an exceedingly tall figure which will be impossible for them to surpass or reach. It must be remembered that the Hindu bowling and fielding will be of a much higher class than was catered by the Muslims as a whole. And they cannot expect Vijay Hazare to make a record breaking score every time. To make a decent show against their formidable rivals and force them to fight for their lives every man in the Rest side must try to do his best.

Irish Gift For Bengal

Money To Be Used To Buy Blankets For Destitutes

NEW DELHI, Dec. 2.

The Indian Red Cross Society has been officially advised of the remittance of a donation of £100,000 placed at the disposal of the Irish Red Cross by the Irish Free State Government for famine relief work in Bengal and other distressed areas. The Indian Red Cross has cabled its grateful appreciation for this magnificent gift and practical gesture of goodwill of the Irish Government.

In view of added distress occasioned by the cold weather, the Society proposes to use a large part of this money for providing blankets and clothing for destitute and sick persons.

Arrangements for securing immediate supplies of blankets and rushing them to distressed areas are well in hand.

In addition, the Red Cross has already been providing milk to thousands of children and nursing mothers in Bengal for the last three months.—A. P

CALCUTTA HUNGER TOLL 34 Deaths On Wednesday

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2.

Yesterday, 34 sick destitutes died in various hospitals in the City and suburbs and there were 55 new admissions. 29 persons were discharged from hospitals during the day.—A. P.

SCHEME FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT IN BENGAL

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2.

Reclamation of all cultivable waste lands, diversion of areas under non-food crops to food crops as far as possible without impairing Bengal's jute crop monopoly, conversion of one-crop lands to two-crop lands by increasing the manure wealth, improvement of the yield of existing lands under food crops by the use of improved seeds and better manuring are the main objects of a scheme of agricultural development shortly to be introduced by the Government of Bengal in the province.

The scheme is estimated to harness about 100,000 acres of new land to production.—A. P.

FEAR OF STOPPAGE OF WATER SUPPLY REMOVED

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2.

The coal situation at the Calcutta Corporation water works pumping stations has been eased and the apprehension of stoppage of water supply to the city has been removed for the present, says the Secretary to the Corporation in a statement to-day.

The Government of Bengal in co-operation with the army authorities have made arrangements for the supply of 1,000 tons of coal to the Palta pumping station and another supply of 400 tons has also been arranged.—A. P.

CHILE AND NEW GUINEA ROCKED

PASADENA (California), Dec. 2.

A strong earthquake in Chile and New Guinea have been recorded at the California institute of Technology.—Reuter.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MARCH)

New York, Dec. 2.

Previous Closing	19.11
To-day's Opening	19.15
Difference	+04
To-day's Closing	19.25
Difference	+14

New York Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.

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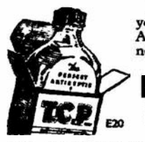

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Dec. 2.

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at nine (I.S.T.) on 28/11/43.

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"Swaraj is my birth-right and I will have it".
—TILAK.

The Bombay Chronicle

THE CAIRO CONFERENCE

President Roosevelt, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and Mr. Winston Churchill had, presumably of diplomatic necessity, to meet in a separate conference for tackling the problem of the war against Japan in which Russia is not involved. So they met in Cairo to deal with a problem the nature and implications of which are strikingly illustrated by the contrast which Reuter's correspondent noted in the views and manners of the three leaders. The cheerfulness of Roosevelt and Churchill reflected their sense of victories won in the Pacific and particularly in Europe, their sense of confident optimism about the future, both immediate and remote, and also the fact their countries have not suffered the miseries and devastations of war as much as others have. The Generalissimo personified the long and cruel agonies endured alone by China and her people for nearly seven years against a tremendously powerful foe. He also personified the urgent need for relieving China, a need that is the human and military obligation of the Anglo-American colleagues. Did the buoyant and optimistic colleagues accept that obligation as China needs and deserves? That yet remains to be seen.

The communique claims agreement "upon future military operations against Japan" and announces the Allied "resolve to bring unrelenting pressure against their brutal enemies by sea, land and air." But an "agreement" is an almost inevitable result of every such conference even if conflicts in points of view remain. The test of the worth of the Cairo "agreement" is whether it satisfies the minimum urgent requirement of China, namely, immediate military operations for the reopening of the Burma Road in order both to take the military weight off China and to rush supplies for the Chinese armies and the people. Does the agreement constitute a response satisfactory in this respect to China? The best that can be said at present is that no one can be sure.

As to the post-war future of the Far East the decision does represent a gratifying vindication of China and her rights. For over fifty years Japan has been stealing, not robbing, China of her territory with her present "Allies" standing by abetting and solemnly recognising the theft. We are glad they admit to-day that they were "illgotten gains". We are even more glad that China's right to Manchuria and Formosa, which are Chinese, have been acknowledged. We are particularly glad because uptill now at least one "Ally" of China, Britain, had been evading the issue. And we also welcome the decision to declare Korea independent. But a number of interesting questions remain unanswered. What about Hong Kong, which is as much Chinese as any other port or town? And what about the Pacific islands which Japan got after the war but which are to be taken away from her? Which brings us to a certain assurance in the Cairo declaration. It says: "They (the three Powers) covet no gain for themselves and they have no thought of territorial expansion." We fully believe it in the case of China, we can understand it in the case of a non-colonial U.S.A., but when Britain strikes a righteous attitude of being with no ambitions of "territorial expansion" the gesture evokes contempt and irritation. The issue relevant to the British is not about "territorial expansion" in the future but about her "territorial expansion" of the past. Britain has no more right to what her Prime Minister blatantly calls "our own" than Japan had to Manchuria, Formosa and Korea. If Formosa was theft and Korea was theft—and we agree with the revised opinion of Britain and America about them—Britain owes restitution of a lot of territory instead of expecting the world to admire her selfless lack of further ambitions. And if Korea is entitled to independence—no one has made it subject to any condition—why not Malaya, Burma and Ceylon, even if we grant for a moment that India has been genuinely promised real independence?

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Eighth Army's Success

The British Eighth Army has done well even according to the Germans themselves. For otherwise the German news agency would not be preparing the public for a major retreat by saying: "The British Eighth Army with its Indian and New Zealand auxiliaries is going into battle on the Sangro with very great forces" emphasizing also the great numerical superiority of the Allied air force. The fact is that German winter defences along the Sangro have been all but destroyed and it is merely a question of hour before the American Fifth Army, too, starts its own "colossal crack", both merging into a decisive drive for Rome, and the Rome line. From the Anglo-American point of view this is quite a good auspices for the conference with the triumphant Russian leader at Teheran. But what is wanted is not the conquest of Rome so much as an invasion of western Europe.

Belated Wisdom

The Government of Bengal have at last realized the wisdom of withdrawing the Order against the "Amrita Bazar Patrika" imposing pre-censorship of news relating to economic and food situation in Bengal. At its meeting held early this month in New Delhi the Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference expressed the view that the Order against the "Patrika" was entirely uncalled-for and that in ignoring the recommendation of the Bengal Provincial Advisory Committee Government had taken a needlessly alarming view of the articles in the "Patrika" which, in the opinion of the Standing Committee, reflected a very general feeling in the country and called attention to a very real danger which it was the duty of all concerned to consider seriously and do everything in their power to provide against. More reprehensible was the second Order of the Bengal Government banning the publication of all reference to the original Order. We trust the Government of Bengal have learnt a lesson and will in future desist from resorting to such panicky measures against the Press.

A Great Betrayal

"Lakhs of peasant women will be weeping on 1st January. Thousands of mothers and wives of industrious handloom weavers and other craftsmen will be cursing the Government of Madras on New Year's Day" declared Mr. C. Rajagopalachari at the public meeting held on Tuesday in Madras under the joint auspices of the Madras Provincial Trades Union Congress, Madras Students' Organisation, Madras Communist Party and twenty-three Labour organizations in that city. The bitterness with which Rajaji spoke was fully justified by the betrayal of the people of which the Madras Government are guilty in abandoning the great prohibition experiment which, during the regime of the Congress, had so eminently succeeded. That experiment was inaugurated by the Congress Government under Rajaji, who, in order to make up for the loss of excise revenue took upon themselves the odium of imposing additional taxation which to-day yields nearly four crore rupees and has made Madras financially the envy of other provinces. Rajaji declared at the meeting that, if the Congress Government had continued in office, he would gradually, by 1943, have made the whole of Madras Province free from the drink menace and thus set an example for the whole world. Instead of continuing the benevolent policy of the Congress Government, the present Government have come to a decision which, in the expressive language of Rajaji, will "open the floodgates of hell on those districts which had been free from the temptation of toddy shops all these five years". The decision of the Madras Government has roused protests from all quarters which, we trust, will compel that Government to desist from giving effect to it.

Matriculation Examination

The suggestion of Mr. T. B. Thakor, President, Ahmedabad Secondary Teachers' Association, to shift the date of Matriculation examination this year from March to April deserves due consideration at the hands of the University authorities.

The situation this year may not be the same in other parts of Gujerat or elsewhere in the whole of the Province as has been described by him in his letter of the 27th November 1943, to the Press, even then everywhere the students suffered a good deal in their studies last year in the pre-matric class, owing to the disturbed condition throughout the country. The courses were either not completed or done hurriedly and thus much revision work is necessary for the Matriculation examination this year. As was done last year, the examination may be held this year in April in the interest of students even at some inconvenience to the University. The New Education Fellowship, Surat, has already forwarded a resolution to the Registrar, Bombay University, requesting for such a change and I hope other institutions and associations as well as the guardians of the candidates would take up this question and make a representation to the University in time.

I trust that the University authorities will surely realize the difficulty of the students and help them in their efforts to get through the examination by extending the period for preparation.

AMRIT KRISHNA MOHILE,
President,
New Education Fellowship, Surat.

Bomb Case Accused Declared "Not Guilty"

Gajanan Balkrishna Dixit was put up before Mr. Justice Blagden and a Special Jury in the High Court Sessions to-day charged with possession of explosives.

The prosecution alleged that the accused had kept eight bombs in a trunk in a room in which he resided with his mother and brothers at Bhawanishanker Road, Dadar. The defence was that the accused resided with his maternal uncle at another place.

At the close of the prosecution evidence His Lordship told the Jury that there was no evidence to prove satisfactorily that the accused was guilty of the offence and directed them to return a verdict of not guilty. Thereupon the Jury returned a unanimous verdict of not guilty and His Lordship acquitted the accused. Accused was re-arrested by the Police under D. I. R. outside the Court.

Mr. S. M. Shah with Mr. Velkar appeared for the Crown. Messrs. H. R. Pardiwalla and V. R. Upadhyaya appeared for defence.

M. P.'S REGRET, NO MENTION OF INDIA IN KING'S SPEECH

Socialist Amendment For Forthcoming Debate: Move For Permanent Secretariat For Imperial Conference

LONDON, Dec. 2.

Socialist Member, Mr. Alexander Sloan, has tabled an amendment for debate in Parliament within the next few days regretting that there is no mention of India or of grave social conditions there in the speech proroguing Parliament last week.

The amendment—to the Address in reply to the King's speech—is one of several in which Dominion affairs will be debated.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE NOT YET

Conservative Member, Sir Alfred Beit, supported by ex-Minister and expert on Empire Affairs, Sir Edward Grigg, is moving an amendment regretting that it has not yet been possible definitely to arrange for an imperial conference to consider closer cohesion of the Commonwealth and Empire after the war.

Other amendments on similar lines have been proposed by another group of Conservatives and group of Liberal National members. One suggestion to be made is that a permanent secretary should be established for the Imperial Conference competent to deal especially on secretarial fact and executive, also with all questions of concern to component parts of the British Commonwealth and Empire, including its colonial, protecting and mandatory responsibilities.

WHAT ABOUT BRITISH DEPENDENCIES?

Other amendments regret the absence from the speech of any reference to the need for energetic social, economic and political development in the British Dependencies or the problem emerging in many dependent areas which will call for urgent solution if the principles of the Atlantic Charter are to be embodied in a permanent peace settlement.—

AMERY ON INDIA'S FOOD POSITION

Mr. Amery replying to a question about the food situation in India told the Commons to-day: "The most important development in the Indian food situation in the last few weeks is that the main rice crop which is just coming to harvest is reported to be excellent, particularly in Bengal. Military assistance in Bengal is getting into its stride and outlying centres as well as Calcutta are now receiving adequate supplies, though distribution from these centres to more remote villages still presents a problem. Plans for rationing in Urban areas are proceeding and should be in operation in Calcutta by the middle of this month.

Deaths in Calcutta for the fortnight ending 28th October, totalled 3,132. I can not give figures for Bengal as a whole. It is reported that 22,33,000 people are being fed daily from free food kitchens.

I regret to say that a serious outbreak of cholera in Bengal has followed upon the famine. During October, deaths in the Province from this disease averaged 5,340 per week. In the first week of November, they were 4,464. Assistance in the provision of doctors and medical equipment is being provided by the army and a mass inoculation campaign is being planned. Some drugs are being flown from this country.

IMPROVEMENT IN BOMBAY

As regards other difficult areas, Bombay is improving its position and crops in Bijapur where they failed last year are reported good. The Malabar and Cochin area is still very short of good grains but equitable distribution is being maintained and supplies have been arranged from Sind.

In Madras, it has been found possible to close all famine camps with the exception of a few in Anantapur and labourers are employed on normal agricultural work. Elsewhere the position gives me no particular ground for anxiety."

Mr Sorensen (Labour) asked if it was correct that though there was a decided improvement, the famine raged severely in the greater portion of Bengal. "Is he satisfied that everything is being done and is he aware that some weeks ago, I asked about cholera and drugs and he suggested that it was not necessary. Does he realise that it would have been much better if we had taken action about cholera at that time?"

DRUGS RUSHED BY AIR

Mr. Amery: "With regard to the last part of the question, when I replied to him on October 17th I had no information from India to suggest an undue spread of cholera though I mentioned that there was some cholera, or any special deficiency of drugs. I undertook to inquire from India and subsequently learned in the course of November that cholera was very much on the increase and that there was a deficiency in certain drugs. Vigorous measures are being taken and drugs are being sent from this country by air.

SUFFICIENT FOOD IN BENGAL

As regards the general situation, there are natural elements of disquiet owing to the difficulty of getting food out to the more outlying villages but, broadly speaking, there is sufficient food in the Province to meet all these requirements and the Government of India have undertaken to look after Calcutta itself."

Viscountess Astor (Conservative): "Has Mr. Sorensen ever been in India?" (Interruption and Cries of Order). No reply was given.—Reuter.

U.N.R.R.A. "GRATEFUL TO INDIA"

ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 1.

The Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, in a speech before the final Session of the U. N. R. R. A. Council here on Wednesday praised the unity achieved as the first real test of the United Nations post-war co-operation.

Referring to food problems, he said, "Take the case of India. She is afflicted to-day with widespread distress due to insufficiency of food over a large area caused by the war a distress in which, I am sure, we all feel profoundly for her people.

But her special situation, he said, has not prevented her from joining in our work here. We are grateful for this token of her co-operation and devoutly hopeful that through the efforts of all those who are now engaged in the task that the ravages of famine and disease may swiftly brought under effective control."

Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, thanked Mr. Acheson for the expression of sympathy to the Indian people and wished the U. N. R. R. A. well in its work of bringing "new grandeur and liberty".—Reuter.

BOMBAY PRESSMEN INSULTED IN SANGLI

The Executive Body of the Marathi Journalists' Association at a meeting held on November 19 under the presidentship of Mr. K. M. Tamhankar, passed a resolution condemning the mal-treatment of press representatives by the Sangali Celebration Committee.

It appears that some Bombay press representatives who went to Sangli on invitation from the Sangli Celebration Committee to attend the Sahitya Sammilan were refused admission and accommodation. It is further reported that Mama Warerkar a well-known writer was manhandled. Even women representatives were not spared of the indignities. In reply to their protest an oral apology was tendered but no accommodation for the Bombay pressmen was made.

ENDANGERING CIVIL LIBERTY?

Morrison Justifies Mosley's Release: Labour Amendment Defeated

WESTMINSTER, Dec. 2.

The Amendment moved by a group of Labour party members in the Commons regretting the release of Sir Oswald Mosley as calculated to retard war effort was defeated by 327 votes to 62.

The Chairman of the Labour Party, Mr. Arthur Greenwood said that Sir Oswald Mosley would have been Britain's gauleiter if the Germans had invaded and many members of Parliament would either have had to face the firing squad or the terrors of the Concentration camp. He thought that Mr. Morrison's decision was wrong but if the House or the Executive were going to try to override judicial decisions, that was the beginning of totalitarianism. "I hope that now this thing has been ventilated, we might pass on to matters of far greater import.".

MORRISON'S REPLY

Replying to the debate, Mr. Herbert Morrison the Home Secretary said, he could understand people being fed up, cross, ignorant and unhappy about the release of Sir Oswald Mosley. It was not a bad thing that the feeling of the British people against Fascism and the evil traditions of this former "Blackshirt" organization should be deep, bitter and strong. But when people made speeches or passed resolutions on the basis that it was the Home Secretary's duty to decide whether or not a man should continue to be detained solely on the ground of his opinions, then they were endangering civil liberty. If the House of Commons wanted this Regulation administered so that he, as a politician, was to keep this man because he hated or disagreed with him, it should frame a law under which it could be done—and he wished them luck in framing it. He challenged his critics to sit down and draft a new Defence Regulation and "think of it in terms of civil liberty and as being applied to members of your own party. Thatis the test."

"SHAMEFUL ABUSE"

After repeating the points made out last week about Sir Oswald Mosley's health and that public safety had been taken into account, he said he had kept Sir Oswald Mosley in prison, but when there was a possibility of death, he would have been guilty of a shameful abuse of the powers of Regulation Eighteen (B).

Earlier, the Attorney-General Sir John Somerville had disclosed that British Union of Fascists originally detained in May 1940 had been released. Only about 16 were now detained".—Reuter.

BANSDA NAVJOTES ECHO

(Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice Coyajee).

Jehangir Behramji Sukhadia. ..... Plaintiff.
vs.
Gustadji Burjorji Reporter and Others. ..... Defendants.

The plaintiff who resided at Bansda was the son of a Parsi named Behramji Pestonji Sukhadia. The plaintiff's mother Manekbai was the daughter of a Parsi named Shapurji Nowroji Mirza by a non-Parsi woman with whom he lived but to whom he was not married.

In June 1942 the "Navjote" ceremony of the plaintiff and his mother Manekbai were performed at Bansda along with those of a large number of others by Framroze Bode, a qualified Parsi priest. There was a lot of public agitation among Parsees. The defendants who are the trustees of a Parsi fire-temple known as Byculla known as Mewawala's Agiary passed a resolution in September 1942 prohibiting those whose "Navjotes" had been performed at Bansda and the priests who had performed them from entering the Agiary. The plaintiff thereupon filed this suit alleging that by custom and usage prevailing among the Parsis he should be treated as a Parsi and a Zoroastrian both before and after the "Navjote" ceremony and that even apart from such custom and usage, a male Parsee's child was racially a Parsee and as such entitled to all the privileges and benefits of Parsi Zoroastrians. He prayed for a declaration that he was entitled to enter the Agiary, that he had no right to prohibit him from doing so and from an injunction restraining the defendants from preventing the plaintiff from entering the Agiary. The Court-room was packed with Parsi ladies and gentlemen, when the matter came up before His Lordship on Thursday for the "de bene esse" examination of Dr. Manekji Dhalla the 69 year old head-priest of the Parsees in Karachi and the author of several works on Zoroastrianism as an expert for his opinion. At the beginning of his examination-in-chief Dr. Dhalla stated as follows:—

"All religions are missionary to start with and therefore permit conversion. Of all the religions only two have not ceased to be missionary,—they are Christianity and Mahomedanism. All others have ceased to be missionary and the only one that has not permitted the conversion of other religionists is the Zoroastrian religion except that they have taken into their religion children of Parsi fathers by non-Parsi mothers."

Shown a passage from Yasna 31 the witness stated that in his opinion it indicates proselytism of all mankind but that it was capable of another reading by which it meant changing all to the right way of living.

Dr. Dhalla was still under cross-examination when the Court rose for the day and will be resumed on Friday.

Mr. M. C. Setalvad and Mr. K. A. Somjee instructed by Messrs. Dastur and Co., appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. M. L. Maneksha, the Advocate-General, Mr. N. P. Engineer, and Mr. J. K. Chinivalla instructed by Messrs. Vakil and Co., appeared for the defendants.

RAJAJI CONDEMNS REVERSAL OF PROHIBITION POLICY

MADRAS, Nov. 30.

"I do not know who advised the Governor of Madras to pass this odious measure (Repeal of Prohibition Act). Lakhs of peasant women will be weeping on January 1st. Thousands of mothers and wives of industrious handloom weavers and other craftsmen will be cursing the Government on new Year's Day," observed Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, ex-Premier of Madras at a public meeting held this evening under the joint auspices of the Madras Provincial Trade Union Congress, Madras Students' Organisation, Madras Communist Party and Twenty-three Labour organisations in the city.

Continuing Mr. C. Rajagopalachari said: "For a paltry additional revenue and for most inadequate reasons, H.E. the Governor has taken a great odium on himself. I beg of him to drop this measure.

"The Government of Madras came to a first class inheritance from me. While other provinces are suffering from all sorts of financial difficulties on account of war effort charges, civil defence expenditures, etc., this Province is enjoying financial comfort. I gave them a first class Ayrshire cow which they are greedily milking. The Tobacco, Motor Spirit and General Sales Taxes, the odium of which all I took on my devoted head for a great and good object, is going to yield to the Government this year a sum nearer to four crores. This was intended to give the people of this Province freedom from toddy and arrack. Instead of being grateful to me for this additional revenue, they have shot a poisoned arrow into my breast. You workmen of Madras, hon't brothers of mine, will bear witness to my cherished desire and will give the lie direct to anyone who accuses me of insincerity. If this injustice be committed, it would be the greatest betrayal in the memory of the people of Madras for all time."

Proceeding Mr. Rajagopalachari observed that gradually, by 1943, he would have made the whole of Madras Presidency free from this drink menace, and thus set an example for the whole world. New industries would have absorbed the capital and labour wasted on the production of drink. A savings drive would have brought twenty crores into the Banks every year, instead of going into the coffers of rentiers and others engaged in the trade for a paltry return of one-fifth of it to the Government along with universal domestic misery and squalor and corruption. He prayed that a sense of gratitude and justice might ultimately prevail and stop this evil intention of the Government of Madras, on new year's day to open the flood gates of hell on those districts which had been free from the temptation of toddy shops all these five years.

Mr. Rajagopalachari concluded by appealing to every District Municipality and Panchayat, every caste or communal association, sports club or reading room or union or welfare organisation in these four districts and elsewhere to send a resolution to the Governor of Madras saying that they did not want the toddy shops to be reopened and asking for severest penalties on law breakers and a vigilant eye on corrupt officials.—A.P.

LEAGUERS STAND BY PROHIBITION

MADRAS, Nov. 29.

The Hony. Secretaries of the Madras Provincial Muslim League have issued a statement to the press characterising the suspension of prohibition by the local Government as a highly retrograde measure positively harmful to the spiritual and material progress of the people. As far as Muslims are concerned there can be no two opinions in this matter. Not only drinking of intoxicating liquors is harmful to Muslims but the manufacture and sale of such liquors and the income derived therefrom is also harmful. The statement further observes that the Muslims of this province are therefore staggered and bewildered at the action of the Madras Government and that the reasons advance by the Government in their communique are not convincing and says that it is the duty of the Government to extend prohibition throughout the presidency particularly because the Tobacco Tax and the Sales Tax imposed for this specific purpose, have now been increased in utter disregard of public opinion and public welfare.—Orient Press.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

KARACHI, Dec. 1.

Arrangements for the League annual session are proceeding apace, and an army of workmen is engaged in putting up the various structures, including the camps for the delegates.

It has been decided that the carriage of the President-Elect on his day of arrival shall be drawn by 31 camels instead of 51, as the latter number was considered too unwieldy. On each camel will be seated a 'Haji' (one who has performed the Haj pilgrimage) dressed in Arab costume.—A. P.

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BATTLE OF PACIFIC PLANNED IN CAIRO, says a headline.

No, no, brother Promised, Solemnly Promised.

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Reuter's Cairo correspondent, attempting the human touch, writes: "...the austere figures of the Generalissimo and his wife, serene and unbowed after years of warfare, contrasting with the buoyant enthusiasm of Mr. Churchill and the measured distinction and friendliness of President Roosevelt".

You won't, however, be right in hoping that the full meaning of the contrast was not lost upon the buoyant Churchill, the friendly Roosevelt or even the enthusiastic correspondent himself.

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By the way, we are glad to note that "Japan shall be stripped of" islands occupied by her after the last World War, all territory "stolen" from China including in the word the recognised Formosa and Pescadore Islands as also Manchuria and even Korea.

We heartily welcome the decision. The Japs have no business "to hold what is theirs" whether grapped during recent years or internationally accepted for decades.

In fact, there can be no question as to the rightness of the Anglo-American view that the territories which Britain and America allowed, or encouraged and abetted, Japan to occupy were "stolen".

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The Cairo declaration proclaims: "They (U.S.A., China and Britain) covet no gain for themselves and have no thought of territorial expansion".

We, who have the blessed honour to be of the British Empire have very good, real, solid reasons completely to believe in the declaration.

"They" need not.

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Germans "must" demands the Polish Prime Minister, "restore to Poland the territory, stolen from her".

Quite right. They, too, must not be allowed to hold what they claim, is theirs.

And we also agree that "they must be disarmed to ensure peace".

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In the Lebanese Chamber, which has now resumed its sessions, "the Government" reports Reuter from Beirut, "was authorised to take action against Edde, the deputy invested by M. Helleu with the functions of the Chief of State".

Other countries, other ways.

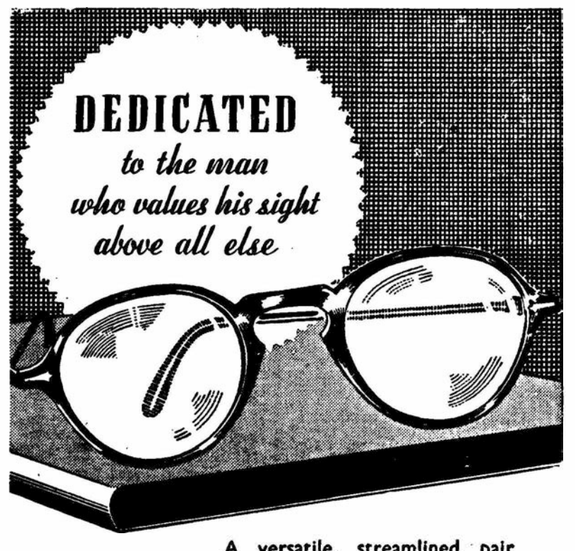
"Duty Pay" And Dearness Allowance For Teachers

It was unanimously resolved at a meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, on Thursday, to give "duty pay" and dearness allowance to Municipal school teachers under training with retrospective effect from September, 1943. Mr. M. R. Masani, the Mayor, was in the chair.

It will be recalled that following a strike by the pupil teachers, the question was taken up in the Schools' Committee.

Mr. Motichand Kapadia, leader of the Congress Party, moved in the Corporation that the teachers, under training, be paid "duty pay" and dearness allowance from October, 1943. Mr. N. C. Pupala moved an amendment that they might be paid from September, 1943. The amendment was unanimously accepted as a substantive proposition.

The resolution, if put into effect, will entail on the Municipality a further expenditure of Rs. 82,000 for the current year.



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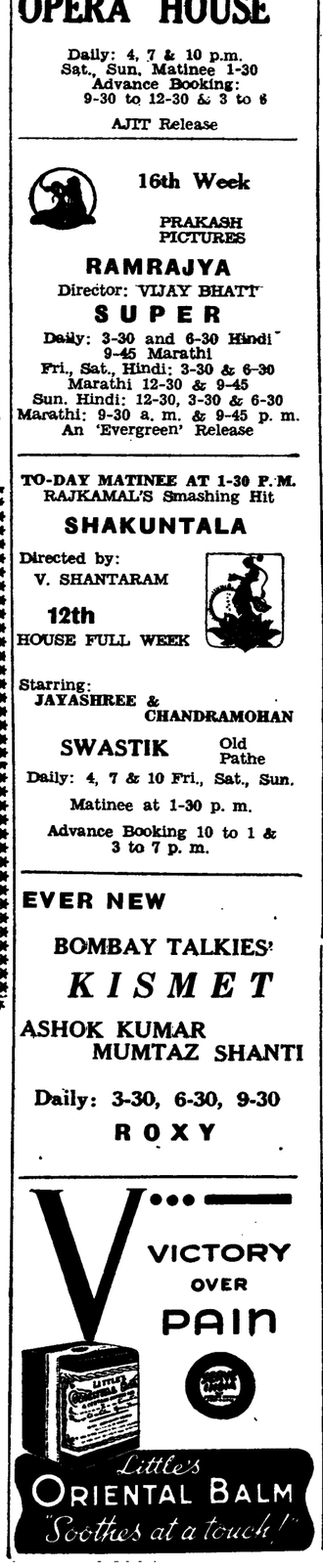

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Hightide: 3-57, 16-05. Lowtide: 10-21, 21-53

To-day's Engagements

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: Special meeting of the Standing Committee in the Corporation Hall at 1-30 p.m. (B. T.) for the further consideration of the Budget Estimate for the year 1944-45.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "Psychic Laws, Forces and Phenomena" Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, 6-15 p.m.

PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY: Prof. S. Panandikar will read a paper on "Dreams" at 6 p.m. at Wilson College.

A. R. P. COMMITTEE, DADAR (EAST): Meeting of A. R. P. Personnel of Dadar East and of B. E. S. T. Workshops and Maratha Ambulance Centre at 7 p.m. at the B. E. S. T. Club Hall, Kingsway Dadar, to congratulate Mr. N. Balkrishna, the first recipient in Bombay City of 'The Governor's Medal for Meritorious Service.'

High Court Reporters Entertain Chief Justice

The High Court reporters of the various newspapers in Bombay entertained the new Chief Justice of Bombay Sir Leonard Stone to tea in the High Court premises on Wednesday evening. In a short speech the Chief Justice thanked those present and stated that the reporters were the eyes and ears of the public and that if they had any grievance it should be placed before him

FINAL L.C.P.S. RESULTS

The following are the numbers of students who have passed the Final L. C. P. S. Examination held in November 1943:—

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The Major-General Jennings Prize for General Proficiency has been awarded to Mr. Vasantnarayan Krishnappa Bhandari Balkur of the B. J. Medical School, Poona.

Calcutta Stock Exchange

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2.

The market continued quiet and the volume of business was somewhat limited. Government Securities were unchanged.—A. P.

The Half-Column "By Dim"

The "Liberal English Gentleman", Sir Frederick Puckle, is America-bound. There is a message about this from the "Chronicle's" correspondent in Delhi. It is put on the front page. Personally I should have included this under Railway News—Shunting?

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A friend of mine, after reading yesterday's Half Column about Jasdanwala, jestingly said to me: "So the first shot has been fired in the Turf Club War". I said: "No, it was only non-violent passive resistance."

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Speaking of propaganda, I went to see "Gentle Sex" the picture now running at the New Empire. It is directed by Leslie Howard. Though it is propaganda unadulterated, it holds your attention for a whole hour and three-quarter. It is a human story woven round the lives of seven girls who are A.T.S.'s or Waacs, if you prefer to call them by the local name. Perfectly directed, the commentary perfectly spoken, it is the last word in propaganda pictures. Compare this with a short picture of the Indian Mule Corps called "Stubborn but Sure" which made you restless in its 800 odd feet because the commentary was lousy, the approach was pompous and because it made no appeal to the audience. This latter production was an Indian Army Unit production and the Public Relations Directorate put its name in bold letters in the credit titles. But what credit would any one want for junk like that?

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Our propaganda specialists should go to see "The Gentle Sex". Not once for amusement, but often for study. They'd learn something and they'd realise the meaning and importance of the professional touch which is Leslie Howard's and which the third-raters of the Government of India cannot produce.

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Indian News Parade should be shown at the end of the main picture to give us a chance of escaping it. Movietone's did well to wash their hands off this piece of celluloid.

REGAL (Phone: 35017)
at 4, 6-30 & 9-30 p. m.
Second Week!

Sunday, 10-30 a. m.
"PARIS HONEYMOON"
Bing CROSBY,
Akim TAMIROFF
Francisca GAAL

CAPITOL Sunday, 10 a. m.
Wayne MORRIS,
Claire TREVOR
"VALLEY OF THE GIANTS"
(in Technicolor)

Tyrone Power In Three Films

Laurel And Hardy As Air Wardens At Metro

BY T. V. P.

Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy return to the screen in a series of their most comical adventures in "Air Raid Wardens" starting to-day at Metro. Their mishaps enable them to poke fun at themselves, without detracting from the importance of the service they represent, and amid the laughter they manage to teach a real lesson in patriotism.

"Crash Dive" at Eros is a submarine drama of real action in which Tyrone Power is starred. United States Navy gave its best co-operation in the making of this picture and the results thereof are obvious.

"Dixie", featuring Bing Crosby is continued at Regal for the third week. Dorothy Lamarr is also there in it.

"George Washington Slept Here", a Warner Brothers' Comedy, featuring Ann Sheridan is being revived at Strand.

"The More, the Merrier" at Excelsior is also a good comedy co-starring Jean Arthur, Joel McCrea and Charles Coburn while "Seven Days' Leave" starring Victor Mature and Lucelle Ball has catchy music and fascinating dances. This picture is being shown at New Empire.

"The Gay Sisters" featuring Barbara Stanwyck and George Brent is being revived at Palace while the revival at Aurora is "The Black Swan" featuring Tyrone Power. The picture at Paradise this week is "Suez", also featuring Tyrone Power.

CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Dec. 2.

SHARES: The Share Bazar was steady under scattered buying and prices rallied few points from yesterday's closing levels. Trading was restricted on the whole but Century Mill Shares were fairly firm on rumours of one new free share per every holding of nine shares. Otherwise the market was quietly steady with a restricted turnover. At present operators are not inclined to increase their risks pending war developments. Tata Steel Defds. were quoted at Rs. 1,990 and Ordinary Shares were done at Rs. 399; Bombay Dyeing Shares were quoted at Rs. 1,947/8. Century Mill Shares were placed at Rs. 965 while Kohinoors were done at Rs. 625.

In the cash section business was limited. Imperial Bank shares were quoted at Rs. 1,975, new Rs. 507-8. Central Rs. 68/8, Baroda Rs. 150 Reserve Bank Rs. 152 Union Rs. 11/6; E.D. Dfds. Rs 4/8. Ordy. 21/5; Dena Invest Rs. 27; New India Rs. 80; Vulcan Rs. 16/13; Scindia Rs. 38; Tata Chemicals Rs. 33/4; Cement ruled quiet on profit taking and Bank shares were less quietened.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Tata Steel Dfds (1972/8) 1980 87 85 88 83 87 92 87 92 83 87 83 87 65.
T.S. Ordy (398) 399 99/8 99 400 398/8 99/8 99.
Dyeing (1937/8) 1935 47 43 46 41 53/12 47 51 46 47/8 42/8.
Century (951) 956 63 60 62 60 67 64 69 65 60 63.
Kohinoor (620) 623 24 23 25 23 28 26 27 24 25 24.
Swadesh (595) 596 99 97 99 601 600 601 599 600 599.
Nagpur (467) 467 69 68 70 69 71 68/8 69
Simplex (284) 282 81 82 83 81/8.
New Great (438) 436 38 36 37 35 37 36.
P Const. (240) 240 39 40/8 38/8 39/12 38 37.
Cement (228) 228/8 26 27 24 23/12 24.

BULLION: Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar Sterling Cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London Spot and forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d. and New York Spot Silver was quoted at 44-3/4 cents. The Bank was not selling any Gold to-day as buyers were prepared to pay only Rs. 76-4. As the Bank is reluctant to sell at lower prices, the difference between spot and delivery Gold quotations has widened to about annas twelve. Holders are not willing to part and the market was quietly steady. Recent liquidation has improved the technical situation and while in the near future, there may not be any decline the main trend of prices remains downward. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 75-12 and delivery business was done at Rs. 75-2. Ready Silver was placed at Rs. 122-8 and delivery quotation stood at Rs. 121-14. The market was dull.

The market ruled steady with scattered buying and closing quotations were as under:—Ready Gold Rs. 75/14 Delivery Rs. 75/4; Sovereigns Rs. 52; Silver Ready Rs. 122/14 and Delivery Rs. 122/4.

COTTON: Trading commenced at Rs. 457-8 for January delivery and after small further decline to Rs. 457-4 under scattered selling prices improved to Rs. 459-12 and later steadied at Rs. 458-8. To-day being pre-settlement day, very little fresh bussiness was transacted and the session was narrow with moderate evening up. Recently there had been increased buying on the belief that present prices are attractive but some operators are still holding bearish ideas. However hedge selling pressure so far is not excessive and with limited offerings prices improved to Rs. 461.

Demand was satisfied at the rise and January declined to Rs. 458/8 on moderate week-end realising. The market closed at 6 p.m. as under:

	Rs	a.	p.
I. C. C. Jan	459	4	0
,, Mar	459	4	0
,, May	463	8	0

COTTON PARITY: Indian Cotton January contract is 144 cent points under New York January at Exchange rate 331.

NEW YORK COTTON
NEW YORK, Dec. 1.
To-day's Price.

December 19.13—10; January 19.09—10; March 19.11—11; May 18.87—08; July 18.63—10; October 18.35—09; March highest 19.27+05; (10.17 a.m.) Lowest 19.11—11 (2-25 p.m.) Middling spot 19.95—12.

NEW YORK COTTON
NOON CALL.

December 19.24; March 19.17; May 18.93.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

December 19.22—15; January 19.17—14; March 19.25—08; May 19.03—08; July 18.78—11; October 18.39—11; Middling spot 19.15—08.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. Three Crores of three months' Government of Bengal Treasury Bills were opened on Thursday the 2nd December 1943. Total amount offered was Rs. 4,06,00,000—(Rupees four Crores six lakhs only).

Tenders at Rs. 99-12-3 and above were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-12-0 allotted approximately 65 per cent. Total amount accepted was Rs. Three Crores the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0-15-8 per cent. per annum.

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X'MAS MEETING
2ND DAY
SATURDAY, 4TH DEC. 1943

One per cent. Tote Commission will be donated to the Bombay War Gifts Fund from the racing public and the R.W.I.T.C. will contribute an equal amount from its funds.

All N.C.O.'s and men of H.M.'s and Allied Forces in uniform will be admitted to the 1st and 2nd enclosures at half price.

ADMISSION:
1st Enclosure } Gentlemen Rs. 3-0-0, Ladies .. „ 2-0-0
2nd Enclosure .. .. „ 1-4-0
SEASON TICKET:
(Excluding Hospital Day) Gentlemen Rs. 50, Ladies Rs. 25

BOMBAY RACES

CLERKS WANTED
Indian Army Corps of Clerks

There are splendid opportunities for keen educated men in the Indian Army Corps of Clerks. Candidates selected will be employed in a clerical capacity in Military Headquarters Offices, and will be enrolled as combatants with liability for General Service. On enrolment they will be promoted to the rank of Havildar Grade III.

Period of employment:— Duration of war and 12 months thereafter if services be so long required.

Training:— A period of 2 to 3 months training at the I.A.C.C. Depot prior to posting to Military Headquarters Offices.

Qualifications:—Age 17½ to 35 years and physically fit for General Service. A good knowledge of written and spoken English is essential and candidates must have passed Intermediate Examination, but promising First Class Matriculates may be accepted.

In addition to good pay all men in the I. A. C. C. receive FREE accommodation, clothing, wholesome food, expert medical attention and numerous privileges and concessions.

RATES OF PAY:—

Rank & Grade	Pay of Rank	Pay of Grade	Total
Havildar III Grade	Rs. 27/-	Rs. 38/-	Rs. 65/-
,, II ,,	Rs. 27/-	Rs. 50/-	Rs. 77/-
,, I ,,	Rs. 27/-	Rs. 60/-	Rs. 87/-
Jemadar	Rs. 75-5-100	Rs. 60/-	Rs. 135-5-160

Apply to your nearest Technical Recruiting Office. The following list will guide you:—

Staunton Road, Poona.
Esplanade Maidan, (North) Dhobi Talao, Bombay No. 1.
Assembly Rest House, Nagpur.
Panch Kuva, Ahmedabad.
Old Telegraph Office, Bungalow No. 39, Belgaum.
Military Barracks, Khandwa (C.P.)

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42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted B.Coms. for Share Department in the Head Office of a well-known Mill in Bombay. Salary between Rs. 100|- and Rs. 125|-. Apply Box No. 7028, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted immediately Assistant Foreman for Automobile Service Station at Ahmedabad. Very prospective salaries offered. Permanent position to the right men guaranteed. Apply sharp to: The Motor House (Guj.) Ltd., Mirzapur Road, Ahmedabad. (7024)

Wanted immediately:— Sub-Assistant Surgeons, Male Nurses, Tally Clerks, Punjabi Clerks, Steno-Typists, Typists, Electrical Wiremen, and Mechanical Fitters. Only Muslims need apply personally with original certificates to L. A. Ashton. No. 12, Rampart Row, near Museum, Fort, Bombay. 3396

Wanted a clerk, experienced in Textile Line and Accounts. Apply with Testimonials and salary expected to Box No. 7036, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted immediately one qualified Compounder, preferably Gujarati for a local dispensary. See Dr. Sevantilal Parekh at Ajmera & Co., Kika Street, between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. 3402

Wanted experienced Civil Engineer, Construction Overseers and Maistries. Apply with copies of testimonials and minimum salary expected to Box No. 3392, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a smart and experienced General Clerk, Gujarati or Maharashtrian, Matriculate with strong English and good hand only. Life Insurance experience preferred. Apply personally with hand written application stating minimum salary expected between 10 & 11 A.M. to-morrow. Mohan Sons & Co., Manekji Wadia Building, opposite University Gardens. 3394

Wanted—For a Textile Mill in C.I. for Day or Night duty. An Asstt. Engineer, Electrical or Mechanical (Combined preferred), First Class, having least ten years experience. Apply Box No. 6969 with testimonials, stating age, nationality and lowest salary expected.

Wanted an expert with previous experience in the manufacture of Sera. Apply stating terms to: Managing Director, The Andhra Pharmaceutical Works, Ltd., Bezwada. 7001

Wanted an expert with previous experience in the manufacture of Toilets and Soaps. Apply stating experience and salary required, Managing Director, The Andhra Pharmaceutical Works, Ltd., Bezwada. 7002

Wanted an experienced Instrument Maker for repair of all types of instruments including electrical recording instruments. A person with experience of repair of aircraft instruments preferred. Salary up to Rs. 300|- for a competent man. Apply stating experience, salary expected and enclosing copies of testimonials to Box No. 6588, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted immediately Gujarati Graduate and Under-graduate teachers. Apply personally Principal, Ramji Assar Vidyalaya, Ghatkopar. (3362)

Wanted. A Matriculate Hindu Clerk for Bungalow and Office work. Maximum salary Rs. 60|-. Apply with full particulars and testimonials to Box No. 3376, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted an experienced and trained Graduate (B. T. preferred) to work as the H. M. of this High School, and other Graduates in Maths. and Languages as Asst. Teachers. Pay according to qualifications. Apply sharp to: M. C. Shah, Chairman, S. H. High School, Dholka. 6998

43. SITUATIONS WANTED

Matriculate Accounts Clerk willing to work anywhere. Apply Box No. 3391, "Bombay Chronicle."

FOR HIRE OR LEASE

Plots available for hire or lease on Bombay Panvel Road near Thana, suitable for big or small factories, workshops, etc. Apply Box No. 7037, "Bombay Chronicle."

BOOKS

Earn Rs. Six daily. Buy Easy Cotton Calculation at Rs. 4. Fulgaliwalla, Ahmed Bldg., Golpitha, Bombay. 3397

327. AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents for Pure Kashmiri Wool at Rs. 12|- per lb. Pull overs Rs. 6|- each. Mufflers Rs. 5|- each. Allied Traders, Lahore. (6918)

652. MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Rs. 3,75,000 puchases freehold corner property on Hornby Road yielding 5½ per cent nett after paying Municipal and property taxes. Enquire Box No. 3395, "Bombay Chronicle."

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE AS TO LOST POLICY

Policy No. 72692 in National Insurance Co., Ltd. on the life Kanji Padamshi Shah of Bombay having been lost, notice is hereby given that failing any objection to reach the Company within one month from any interested party with production of the policy the Company will proceed in pending matters concerning the policy.

K. M. NAIK.
Manager.
National Insurance Co., Ltd.
7, Council House St.,
Calcutta.
8002

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT PRINTING, BIHAR.
(STATIONERY DEPARTMENT)

Tenders for the supply of stationery articles, etc. during 1944-45.

SEALED TENDERS are invited from manufacturers and accredited agents of the manufacturers in India and bona fide importers and stockists for foreign goods for the following stationery articles for supply during 1944-55 from 1st April, 1944 to 31st March, 1945):—

Schedules.	Last date and time of receiving tenders.	Date and time of publicly opening tenders.
1. Stationery articles of superior and ordinary qualities, drawing materials, ribbons, T. W. and duplicator accessories.	25th January 1944 at 3 P.M.	26th January 1944 at 2 P.M.
2. Printing inks and binding materials ...	Ditto ditto	Ditto ditto
3. Writing inks, gloys, sealing wax and stencil ink	15th January 1944 at 3 P.M.	16th January 1944 at 2 P.M.
4. Rubber stamps	25th January 1944 at 3 P.M.	26th January 1944 at 2 P.M.

Each item mentioned above constitutes one schedule and for each schedule separate tender form is to be used. Schedules and tender forms with conditions of tender and contract can be had from the undersigned on advance payment of Rs. 2. The tender form will not be supplied by V. P. P. Last date and time for receiving and publicly opening tenders have been noted against each schedule. The cost of the tender will have to be paid by Indian Postal Order, endorsed to the Superintendent, Government Printing, Bihar. Tenders should be addressed by designation only. The Superintendent, Government Printing, Bihar, reserves to himself the right to reject any or all tenders without assigning reasons.

R. GHOSH, Supdt., Government Printing, Bihar.
Gulzarbagh (Patna): 19th November, 1943.
7029

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Import Trade Control.
EGYPTIAN COTTON.

In a notice published at the end of September 1943 importers of Egyptian cotton were advised that pending arrangements for the procurement of India's requirements no order should be placed or commitments made regarding the purchase of cotton in Egypt. It has been decided that import licences will be issued to cover only such orders as are passed by the Deputy Chief Controller of Imports, Bombay, who will take into consideration the total requirements of the Mills in India and also the price at which an order is proposed to be placed. Importers should therefore refrain from taking any steps for the purchase of cotton in Egypt without prior consultation with the Deputy Chief Controller. They should also advise their Egyptian exporters of the danger of making speculative purchases on an optimistic view of India's requirements or of the prices likely to be obtained.
(7031)

THE RAGHUVANSHI MILLS, LIMITED.
NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTH EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company shall be held at its Registered Office at Haines Road, Mahalaxmi, Bombay on FRIDAY, 17th Day of December, 1943, at 3-45 P. M. (S. T.) or so soon thereafter as the business of the Annual General Meeting of the Company convened on the said day at 3-30 P.M. shall have been finished, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit, for passing the following Resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:—

"RESOLVED that the Authorised Capital of the Company be increased from Rs. 10,00,000|- (Rupees ten lacs) consisting of 10,000 (Ten Thousand) shares of Rs. 100|- (One hundred) each to Rs. 40,00,000|- (Forty lacs) consisting of 40,000 (Forty thousand) Shares of Rs. 100|- (One hundred) each by the creation of 30,000 (Thirty thousand) New Shares of the face value of Rs. 100|- each."

"RESOLVED further that subject to the sanction of the Central Government under Rule 94 A of the Defence of India Rules, out of the said New 30,000 Shares, 10,000 New Shares by issued at Par to the existing shareholders of the Company in the proportion of one New share for each existing share held by each member and that these 10,000 shares shall rank for dividend, voting and in all other respects pari passu with the existing 10,000 shares of the Company, except that the said 10,000 New shares will be entitled to receive dividend out of the profits of the Company accruing from such date as the Directors may in their discretion determine and further that such offer shall be made by a Notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled, and limiting the time within which the offer if not accepted will be deemed to be declined and after the expiration of such time or on receipt of intimation from the member to whom such notice is given that he declines to accept the shares offered, the Directors may dispose of the shares in such manner as they think most beneficial to the Company."

"RESOLVED further that the Directors be and are hereby authorised to issue the remaining 20,000 shares out of the said New 30,000 shares as and when they deem proper and upon such terms and conditions as the Directors may in their discretion determine."

By Order of the Board,
For the Raghuvanshi Mills, Limited,
RAVINDRA MAGANLAL & CO., LIMITED,
Managing Agents.
Bombay, 15th November, 1943.
8026

NOTICE.

THE TEXTILE COMMISSIONER, HARARWALLA BUILDING, WITTET ROAD, BALLARD ESTATE, BOMBAY, invites tenders for Cotton Blankets of usual market sizes and qualities available for immediate or very early delivery. The Blankets are to be supplied to the Government of Bengal for distribution in the distressed areas. All Mills who are in a position to make early deliveries and Mills and Merchants holding stocks are requested to quote. The following information should be furnished with quotations:—

(a) Size of the Blanket.
(b) Weight of each Blanket.
(c) Quantities offered.
(d) Price per Blanket.
(e) Delivery period.
(f) Despatching station.

A sample of Blanket of each quality offered should be submitted along with the tender.

Tenders to be submitted in sealed covers to the Textile Commissioner by noon on Saturday the 4th December. The covers should be marked clearly with the inscription "Tender No. CX|B1|P12 for Cotton Blankets for Bengal."
(7021)

SHRI MAHAJAN ASSOCIATION LIMITED.
NOTICE.
ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all the members of the Association that an Ordinary Annual General Meeting of this Association will be held in the Hall of Shri Mahajan Association on SATURDAY, the 25th December, 1943, Magshar Vad 13th of Samvat year 2000 at 12 a. m. (B.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To adopt and pass the Enghteenth Annual Report and also the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ending Aso Vad 30th of Samvat year 1999 of this Shri Mahajan Association Limited.
2. To elect 17 (seventeen) members of the Board of Directors for the Samvat year 2000.
3. To elect eight members of the Arbitration Committee for the Samvat year 2000.
4. To appoint Auditors for the purpose of auditing the Accounts of this Association for the ensuing Samvat year 2000 and to fix their remuneration.

By Order of the Board,
JIVATLAL CHANDRABHAN KOTHARI,
Hon. Secretary.

Patwa Chawl, Moti Bazar,
Sheikh Memon Street,
Bombay, 2-12-43.

N.B.—Usual Nominations for the Directorships stated above to be forwarded to the Office of the Association from 11-12-43 to 16-12-43 only.
(7034)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for a temporary post of Wool Expert in the Department of Industries, Bombay, on Rs. 250 per mensem. Candidates should (a) have completed full textile course preferably with special reference to woollen textiles at a recognised technical institute, (b) possess not less than five years' experience in wool weaving and woollen cloth finishing and (c) be conversant with different processes employed in production and finishing of handloom woollen products. Experience in purchases of wool and sales of woollen products will be considered additional qualification.

Detailed conditions and prescribed form of application may be obtained free of charge from the Director of Industries, Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay. Applications should reach Director of Industries on or before the 25th December, 1943.
7027

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE INDUSTRIAL & PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE CO., LTD., BOMBAY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the shareholders will be held on MONDAY the 20th day of December, 1943 at 5 P. M. (N. S. T.) at Industrial Assurance Building, the Registered Office of the Company for the purpose inter-alia of considering and if thought fit passing the resolutions mentioned in the Notice.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. C. SETALVAD,
Managing Director.
7032

NOTICE

RAIPUR FOREST TRAMWAY. Certain dismantled parts and stores consisting of trucks and passenger couches, trollies, steel girders, miscellaneous parts and stores and scrap are for sale. Offers should be made before 15-12-43.

For detailed list and inspection, apply to the DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, South Raipur Division. RAIPUR. C.P.
6817

THE RAGHUVANSHI MILLS, LIMITED.
NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 11-12, Haines Road, Mahalaxmi, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 17th December, 1943, at 3-30 P. M. (S. T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 1943.
2. To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.
3. To appoint two Directors in the place of (1) Amratlal Chunilal Esq., (2) Babulal Chunilal Esq., who retire by rotation but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditor or Auditors for the Current year and to fix his or their remuneration.
5. To transact any such business as may be placed before the Meeting by the Chairman.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain CLOSED from SUNDAY, 12th December, 1943, to MONDAY, 27th December, 1943, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
For The Raghuvanshi Mills Ltd.
RAVINDRA MAGANLAL & CO., LTD.,
Managing Agents.
Bombay, 15th November, 1943.

N. B.—The Dividend when sanctioned, will be made payable at the Registered Office of the Company on and after Tuesday, 11th January 1944 to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Register on Saturday 11th December 1943 and the Dividend Warrants will be posted to each Shareholder to his last given address.
(7025)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Public that Purshottam Makanji Doshi of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim, interest or demand whatsoever against in or upon the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, gift, inheritance, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, trust, easement, maintenance, share, possession, coparcenary rights, or otherwise howsoever in the said property or any part thereof are hereby required to give notice thereof in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 65, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, failing which the said Sale will be completed without reference to any such claim, interest, or demand howsoever and the same (if any) shall be deemed and treated as having been waived or abandoned.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of Government land or ground together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Kirol in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra in the Bombay Suburban District, containing by admeasurement 2,000 sq. yds. or thereabouts and bearing Survey No. 71 and Hissa No. 5 part and according to old Records Survey No. 71 and Pot Nos. 3, 4 and 5 and 9 parts and Survey No. 69, Pot Nos. 9 and 1 parts and bearing Municipal C Ward and House Nos. 125, 125A and 125B and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the East partly by Cama Road and partly by the property of Rustom N. Irani, on or towards the West partly by the property of Dayalal M. Javeri and partly by Navroji Cross Lane, on or towards the North by the property of Dayalal M. Javeri and on or towards the South partly by the property of Vadilal Chatrabhuj and partly by the property of Hormusji Merwanji Irani and partly by the property of Rashid Jamshed Irani.

Dated this 30th day of November, 1943.

MOHILE & PAREKH,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(7012)

PUBLIC NOTICES

COOPER ENGINEERING LTD.
NOTICE.
Re: 2ND CALL ON ORDINARY SHARES.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have by their Resolution dated 21st September 1943 made the Second Call payable at the Registered Office of the Company on 31st December 1943.

The Transfer Books of the Company will therefore be closed from Monday the 13th December 1943 to Thursday the 30th December 1943 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board,
B. D. SARDESAI,
Secretary.

Construction House,
Ballard Estate,
Bombay 1st December, 1943.
(7033)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KAIKHUSHROO MANEKJI FRAMJI SETHNA, Bai DHANBAIJI, wife of Dossabhai Rustomji Dhanjibhoy Sethna. Bai SOONA KAIKHUSHROO MANEKJI SETHNA, NUSSERWANJI HORMASJI SETHNA and HORMASJI DINSHAW JASSOOBHOY, all of Bombay Parsi Inhabitants, the present Trustees of a Declaration of Trust, dated 19th August, 1929, as to the residuary estate of Framji Hormusji Sethna have contracted to sell the below described property to our client. All persons having or claiming any right, title, interest, property, claim or demand in to upon over or out of the said property or any part thereof on any ground whatsoever are hereby required to make their demands and claims known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lalgir Chambers, Tamarind Lane, within the Fort and to the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within a fortnight.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY:

ALL THAT piece or parcel of pension and Tax land now redeemed from cess TOGETHER WITH the messuages dwelling house and buildings and structures standing thereon, situate lying and being on the West side of Breach Candy Road now known as Girgaum Road, without the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 2,012 (two thousand and twelve) square yards or thereabouts BUT according to New City Survey Register 1,953 (one thousand, nine hundred and fifty-three) square yards forming a portion of land registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 44, New No. A|252, Old Survey No. 72 and New Survey No. 1|8227, bearing Cadastral Survey No. 661 Bhuleshwar Division and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the Girgaum Road, on or towards the West by the property of Rawjee Appajee and others, on or towards the North by the property of Navajbai Peroshaw Sett, on or towards the South by the property of Umer bin Awad Sumar Navaj Jung and Saleh bin Galib Saif Navaj Jung, partly by land belonging to Bombay Municipality and partly by the property of Harjiwan Walji and which said premises are assessed by the Assessor of Municipal Rates and Taxes under C Ward No. 2106 (1), 548-562; C Ward No. 2106 (2), Street No. 554; C Ward No. 2106 (3), Street No. 554BC, C Ward No. 2106 (4), Street No. 554C; C Ward No. 2106 (5), Street No. 554E and C Ward No. 2106 (6), Street No. 554C Girgaum Road.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1943.

JAMSHEDJI RUSTOMJI & DEVIDAS,
Purchaser's Attorneys
7022

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that RAJ MITRA DATAR SHETH RAMANLAL KESHAVLAL, DATAR SHETH CHANDULAL KESHAVLAL and DATAR SHETH CHHOTALAL MOTILAL, all of Petlad Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 111, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of Fazandary land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Assembly Lane near Agiary Road in the Registration Sub-District and in the Town and Island of Bombay and assessed by the Collector of Assessment under C Ward No. 4415 formerly Street No. 4 and now Street Nos. 1—3 and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 470 and Cadastral Survey No. 1723 (Bhuleshwar Division) and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on the East by the property of Pitamber Bhagwandas, on the West by Assembly Lane, on the North by the property of Manecklal Gordhandas and on the South by the Public passage and containing by admeasurement 159 2/9 Square Yards or thereabouts.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1943.

N. C. DALAL & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
7030

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

Mr. AHMED HABIB has contracted to sell the property described below to our clients. Any person having any claim whatsoever in or to the said property is hereby required to make the same known in writing to us in our Office at Central Bank Building, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to such claim and the same will be considered to be waived.

SCHEDULE:—Leasehold land at No. 19, Nowroji Hill Road being Plot No. 128G of the Nowroji Hill Estate of the Bombay Municipality, 1,478.87 square yards in area with the buildings thereon known as Dongri Market bearing C.S. No. 85/1721 Mandvi Division and Municipal 4B Ward Nos 4131(7 & 8) and Street No. 243.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1943.

S. F. B. TYABJI & CO.,
8035 Purchasers' Attorneys

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